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Federal Housing Accelerator Fund, Federal Flood Hazard Identification + Mapping Program Webinar, and National Adaptation Strategy for Climate Change Action Consultation

AMO's Remarks on the Federal Housing Accelerator Fund

On May 19th, 2022, AMO's Executive Director, Brian Rosborough, presented to the House of Commons' Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA) on its study of the Housing Accelerator Fund. AMO's remarks can be found [here](#).

We emphasized that housing is a complex issue and not one that municipal governments can solve on their own. Solutions must involve a variety of actions from all orders of government and the development industry. We noted that the measures and investments in Federal Budget 2022, including the Housing Accelerator Fund, are welcome and that it has great potential to help get housing built faster through direct and flexible investments that allow municipalities to tackle the most serious local barriers to supply.

We also expressed the need for all municipal governments to benefit from these investments, and that flexibility and recognition of the unique needs of smaller, rural, and northern communities are key to meaningful local solutions.

Federal Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program (FHIMP) Webinar

Conservation Ontario is hosting a webinar for Conservation Authorities and Municipalities about the [Federal Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program \(FHIMP\)](#) on Tuesday, May 31st at 10:00 am. You can [register here](#).

During this webinar you will hear from Natural Resources Canada about the national priorities for the Program, eligible activities, and overall opportunities for Ontario, with

a goal of sharing information and informing local project ideas, should Ontario secure funding for projects within the province.

Canada Consulting on First National Adaptation Strategy

On May 16th, 2022, Canada launched a public consultation to develop its first National Adaptation Strategy for coordinated climate change action across the country. The Strategy is an opportunity to unite all orders of government through shared priorities, cohesive action, and a whole-of-society approach.

The public engagement phase is open until July 15, 2022. To participate and for more information, review the [discussion paper](#) and the [online consultation portal](#).

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